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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Andersen et al. Confirmation No.: 1429

Application No.: 10/626,053 Group Art Unit: 1651

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For: Meiosis Activating Sterol Augments Implantation Rate

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2008 that made restriction and election of species requirements. Applicants were requested to elect one of seven (7) designated groups.

In response to these requirements, Applicants hereby elect with traverse the invention of Group II. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

Applicant, therefore, respectfully submits that the restriction requirement is improper. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 22, 2008 /Shelby J. Walker, Reg. No. 45,192/

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